

Montana Children's Trust Fund

Meeting Minutes

December 04, 2012

I. Call to order/Attending

Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30am on Tuesday December 04, 2012 in the 5th Floor Conference Room in the Old Federal Building.

- Chairperson Betty Hidalgo introduced Vicki as new director to have oversight of Children's Trust Fund.
- Classified Grants contract coordinator-half time pay band 6 in the prevention resource center advertised the first of next week. Mandatory 2 weeks advertising. The position will post on Monday, December 10, interviews begin the first of January and person will be in place by January 25, 2013.
- Technical Assistant Contractor Discussion
Vicki already attends numerous meeting
- Nervous about new person attending grant meetings, RFP's from March-June
- Set up as much as possible electronically through forms on a website
- Funding of a full time person is in question
- Would have to be justified but you can overfill it and depends on the new Director.
- Fill the ½ time first and then overfill it and walk through that process

Others in attendance: Robin Suzor, Roberta Kipp, Mary Gallagher, JoAnn Eder, Vicki Turner, Lisa Stroh and Deborah Hanson who had to leave at 2:30pm. Rosie Buzzas was not able to make it.

II. Minutes from December 04, 2012 meeting

The minutes were read and reviewed. Mary made a motion to approve and Debbie seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Robin had a question from page 10 and Roberta said it was not done yet. **Roberta would like to talk to Robin and discuss thank-you cards and track who needs a thank you.**

- We can already have the cards ready and sign at the next meeting. Cards are for people that had gone the extra mile. Need a MT Children's Trust Fund design for the thank you cards.
- Roberta said if she went to Staples and took a copy of the logo and printed a message on the inside with stock card.

Robin said we have the logo on a jpg file. Roberta needs to send Robin a reminder to send her the jpg logo. Robin will put logo on thumb drive.

III. Financial Report- Jim Carney as of 11/30/2012

- Outline report of revenues and expenditures
- Trust Fund Interest \$218,690
- State Special Revenue \$3,589
- Cash on hand is \$222,279
- The above number is tied to interest earning and as the account gets low we transfer from the interest account.
- Last page shows receipts for divorce and expenditures \$3589
- Spreadsheet shows break out of expenditures
- Extra 28K to allocate plus 2k extra from Evaluation/peer reviews
- Purple and Capacity Building Contractors not set up yet
6/30/12 to set up contractors otherwise it rolls to next year allocations
- Healthy mothers healthy babies needs to spend \$110K by 6/30/12
- Accruals goes through Fiscal
Is there sufficient budget authority more than 90,098, \$150, 098 is total spending authority for this year's spending fiscal year. Your state piece is only good thru 6/30 the federal piece is spent by 6/30 the other one is carried over.
- You can have two contracts open at once so there is no gap in services.
Spend the \$110k by June 30 and start a new contract by July 1 for HMHB.
Report will go over to budget people.

IV. State Report

Robin provided Sept Oct Nov great info highlights

- Best Beginnings counseled in Sept
- MA lost funding for Missoula person
- ICC Vicki chairs that MIP issues and new National about the influence for teenage drinking
Mariah's challenge made a commitment if you finish HS drug and alcohol free you are eligible for scholarship
CNN on Mariah's challenge \$1000 per each scholarship over 500 given out

Hard copy of the ICC report for membership for board from Vicki Turner sent regular mail.

November ICC report Lit Gov. Jon Bollinger spoke on page 8 main focus to address underage drinking and align among state agencies and get on the same page.

5 Goals

- 1) reducing abuse
- 2) youth substance
- 3) teen pregnancy
- 4) youth violence
- 5) mental health promotion
 - Last year was spent planning and connecting communities and resources with a back drop of health care reform behind it.
 - MDT and other agencies involved and State Health Dept. See 5 yr. plan page 10
Lanora Myers and staff from MT WY Tribal

Patty Stevens some info on last qtr. report Vicki will send link for this report
final speed grant report will actual make some copies

Robin CAN conf. planning as well speakers are mostly set and breakout April 16-18 at the Red Lion
Purple Crying plans an evening reception (is in development) for the CAN Conference.

Training Jeff F drug endangered children

Substance abuse Vicki talked about that page 7

Last meeting robin was not able to attend.

MT Pyramid Model Christy Hill Larson came in 2011 to talk.

Continue grant monitoring.

Vicki said Robin does a tremendous job and has been very nice over the years we will miss her greatly.

V. Grantees Report

Betty asked for highlight

- 13 overviews of funded programs and how many families served and what they need to
- work on Grantees billed and up to date
- Several programs community cafes monthly quarterly
- Domestic Violence working with girls home and High Schools
- L&C getting more training on Circle of security
- Dawson County is working hard
- Alisa is a new mom training Janet and Best Beginnings coordinator
- Child safety clinics 90% of people do not use car seats properly

Site Visit at the Nurturing Center in Kalispell they are expanding but not too much
Classes for divorced parents expanding to Helena

- Parenting place more respite care working hard
- Offered a personal story of Bobbi who had behavior and personality (great success)
- Learning how to control behavior and moving forward
- Peer Review Plentywood and Dawson for next year per Robin

VI. Healthy Mothers Health Babies Report- 10:20 a.m.

Melisa Syness and Daylyn Porter came in to talk about purple crying

- Regularly scheduled meetings with Mary and Robin
- Discussed Goals
- Wrote a press release Robin is reviewing
- Trying to recruit interns
- 3 yr. 10K pledge for purple MT
- Reception for Purple MT during the CAN conference
- Starting to update Purple MT website

- Talked about org structure on how we deal with PM in MT
- Important for HMHB to be on the same page PM
- Ranking priorities has been given to who has contacted us
- Great Falls Benefis is on board for PM
- HMHB will supply CD's and brochures your first year
- How to tracking and collect data
- Build up support for an Infant Mortality State wide review board
- Develop group advisors across the state

VII. Best Beginnings Report

- Deb met Nov 7 & 8 council got to meet Patty Butler who has been in her profession for many years she is my immediate boss.
- Needs assessments trends housing, homelessness, mental health access, food insecurity, learning about collaboration.
- Strength families put a member of the trust fund board to help us do that
- Council received a draft of needs assessment presentation provides info on state and how info was gotten and then compiled.
- Needs assessment was to promote discussion and what need to be found out
- Committee broke out to discuss and they reported back to council
- Hired person to come Jan 9 -10 to help us do strategic planning Kirstin Smith of BZN
- Interview and surveys going out for feedback to the council

Betty asked for Debbie to discuss the Set-back decision made of how needs assessment was going to get done

- Had a call with person, they did not want to continue, task was given to Debbie
- Housing is a very high need in Ravalli County and what housing is available the housing is too high to afford.
- Diana Frick did a small presentation and 2nd year funding received
- Doing smaller meetings to help people with travel costs
- At risk communities apply for McVee funding to get a Best Beginnings in their community.

Debbie will send list of those communities.

Sarah Corbally

Family Support Committee asking council to adopt CTF person on that council

CTF member to attend Advisory council meeting quarterly

If anyone would like to commit or rotate through we can give the name to Sarah

- Would look really good for MT because that is one of the Federal partnerships
- Let them know about the Purple work.
- Thank you for the invitation (card for Sarah)?
- Be on the subcommittees of Family Support Committee
- Family strengthening committees and talking about the 5 protective factors
- Talked about getting state support there is no coalition support state wide

- However we can maximize our exposure lets go ahead and do that as there is public comment at the end
- Debbie will find out if participants can become a part of the Council meeting

VIII. Old Business

National Alliance Recap-Betty

Betty passed around information that can also be accessed on their website of www.ctfalliance.org

Vista Volunteer Application

They didn't see the link from shaken baby syndrome to kids succeeding in school

Vicki said recruiting will continue quite a while

Betty see if someone from Higher Ed can come to our next meeting – Board of Regions

Legislative Request for Endowment

Team for 10 million bill –Betty, Mary and JoAnn

School Education

Team –Lisa, Mary and Rosie

IX. Casey Barrs

Betty will send Casey an email asking him to address her questions in an email reply regarding 10 million dollar Bill.

- Guidelines for advocacy if you are appointed by the Gov. you are to follow the Gov. lead
- You can talk about importance of the issues, and to work with legislative branch. Just let them come to you do not pursue them between now and January 7, 2013.
- Get Stories
- Get community people
- Express why it is important to family and state
- Do this within 1 minute
- Very conservative chairs in those subcommittees
- Why 10 million dollars?

Make a list as to what 10 million can do

- Why is that important- if you can't articulate quickly then you are out the door
- How long would it take to get 10 million? Probably take a year and we will not have it right away.
- We didn't have spending authority at first
- We have 1 million dollars now and this would open it to increase
- Be careful they can repurpose the 1 million dollars that CTF currently has
- Make sure you have a good defense to keep it

Here is how we will use the 10 million and this will be the outcome for kids channeling this money thru the children's trust fund

- The 10 million is not something that children's trust fund is pushing for
- Betty said we did not originally ask for the money
- It is because we are good stewards of our money
- Look on both sides, nationally to do something to effect the mass across the State of Montana. That is what Purple MT does.
- Like Best Beginnings across Montana that is what we want to do
- Behavior Risk Factor for Adults implemented across the state; Survey was offered a year ago
 - 2014 & 2016 would be a good time to run survey again, cost would be 20K per year
Sarah said we could use some of our grant funds toward this project
28 minute survey 130 questions
 - Betty said, do we want to have a lobbyist for the 10 million bill
Vicki said we can use our advocates for this
- **Mary we should have a legislative subcommittee put some of these things together**
Joann maybe the legislative should delegate the jobs
- **Betty who would like to volunteer on this committee.**
JoAnn if we could do a teleconference I would volunteer
pinpoint your view and focus your 1 minute talks to support the bill such as;
 - Tabaco
 - Immunization rates
 - Marijuana use leading to schizophrenia reduces IQ by 8 points

Vicki said we need to put some structure into the bill

- 1) group to come up with talking points Pros/Cons if this passes or
- 2) Reduced if it doesn't pass
- 3) Oh woops if they take away our current money and how will it impact our community and what would go away

Betty wrote a note to grantees to give them an update from September and what we would do if we got this funding. **I don't have a copy with me and we wanted to send it out to all board members. If any grantees wanted to talk about the note that you would all know where it came from**

- Sent out on Wed of last week November 28 and Mary got one reply.
- Lisa suggests that we have people go across the state and see what programs are out there
- Debbie agreed what are the services out there

Purpose: help us think of what we need out there to support the bill. Not necessary the population but the type of people that make up that community

- 44% of kids in CAPS are Native American
- 65% of babies of families being born are on Medicaid
- In preparation for legislative clear our own thought and start from principles and assessments and criteria ourselves.
- Family Resource Centers anyone can use like respite care
- 211 phone number saved for helping

Building Capacity Grant process - Phone Conference February 6 @ 4:00 p.m.

- Community
- Facebook

If we could spend \$400,000 what would you spend it on?

- Community Councils
- Community Needs
- Intervention/preservation/sustain
- \$ per council based on 7 councils
- RFP Narrative
- Structure for CTF
- Technical Assistance
- Resource base-statewide for abuse prevention
- Child death review panel for resources
- Education thru childcare
- Maintain our own identity to change abuse/neglect
- Education, education, education
- ACE data
- Higher Education – Board of Regents
- Parent support to build communities
- Staffing
- Jobs, jobs, jobs
- Info packets for newborn at hospital, adoption and foster care
- How to get info on the web, Facebook, database and online
- 211 Community Council – Dovetail for staffing each CC for a coordinator
- Housing, food based on community needs
- Community Council is the “hand”
- Rural communities to learn how to write grants
- Mentorship through after school programs
- Parent support groups
- Effects the entire State of Montana
- Builds on what is already established within communities
- Reach a larger population
- Build a database for assessments, reports etc.

- counseling
- resource base referral for abuse and neglect
- have staff to work on known problems that arise
- staff community council with a coordinator based on needs assessment
- Reach out into rural communities that have never had programs before
- Need more good proposals from groups
- Give them seed money to get the planning process going so they are ready
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Councils in place since Sept 2011

Example: They have people in their communities that weren't talking and 2 mental health care providers that did not like each other

Benefits of City Councils: They are now at the table of Best Beginnings talking and sharing staff and providing and marketing their services on one brochure.

Still in the planning process because we don't have the service delivery funding

Mary - Trust Fund is not a state agency part of our strength we can educate small groups that can get the word out less obtrusively it would be good to see what the state can do and what can we do to maintain our connectedness to the community.

Bests Beginnings and Home beginnings we are the bull dogs for abuse and neglect to get the parents the tools they need.

Betty - there are thing we can do regarding infant mortality keeping our own identity by complementing existing services.

Robin - ACE children's trust fund should be the leader in that and the module would be a great way to get that data. Work with higher education thru teacher, board of regents,

- Maintain independence
- Less government involvement
- Coordinator and another liaison person, technology and training
- Involve schools
- Technology
- Family resource centers
- Job Creation
- More infrastructure in our own house
- Infant Mortality Review Building on what we are doing now
- Saturate with the Media

Ask OPI to come to next meeting

Vicki will talk to someone and get back to Betty within the next couple of days

- Be on the Subcommittee that Sarah talked about on January 9th & 10th

Roberta will come to the meeting January 9 & 10 she needs where and the time and can send it to her. Children's trust fund will pay for travel. Let Sarah know if Roberta is rotating or a constant attendee.

Teachers can get CEU's for Shaken Baby/brain research

Mary can talk to Karen Billings to see what is out there and what we can build on.

Betty asked Lisa and Mary to work together on this for the next meeting

Have a conversation with MSU HHS to see what it takes to know what you need to have in place for education.

MEA

NBI Conference we can capture a group to educate

Partnership to end child hunger may be a connection

Betty said lets involve Rosie in this endeavor

X. New Business

-Reorganization info

-Additional and Misc. Topics

RFP - Robin add Shaken Baby into the RFP and community Purple MT – March 22 close April 26

Next Meeting CTF Board meeting March 11, 2012 at 9:30am will be at 111 Sanders building and
Vicki Turner will let us know what room make hotel reservation now because of the legislative session

Invite Daylyn Porter to our next meeting in March

Invite OPI for next meeting

Reappoint your position with this board

Gov. page boards and council's
children's trust fund

want to continue appointment

let Robin know when you have done this

XI. Public Comment

XII. Adjourn

Meeting ended approximately 3:00pm

